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SUBJECT: STEEL TRIGGER PRICE MECHANISM

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1. AMEMBASSY VALLETTA IS FRANKLY PUZZLED WHY WE ARE INCLUDED AS ADDRESSEE (SOMETIMES, SUCH AS REFTEL, AS ACTION ADDRESSEE) FOR THE SERIES OF MESSAGES RELATING TO THE STEEL TRIGGER PRICE MECHANISM. MALTA, A COUNTRY OF LESS THAN 330,000 PEOPLE, HAS NO RPT NO PRODUCTIVE CAPACITY FOR STEEL PRODUCTS FALLING UNDER THE STEEL TRIGGER PRICE MECHANISM. THE COUNTRY IS AN IMPORTER OF STEEL PRODUCTS, INCLUDING FROM THE UNITED STATES. WHILE FEW SMALL FIRMS PROCESS IMPORTED STEEL PRODUCTS SUCH AS BARS AND RODS, EITHER FOR DOMESTIC USE OR FOR EXPORT TO VARIOUS MIDDLE EASTERN COUNTRIES, WE ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY BASIC STEEL PRODUCTS THAT MALTA HAS EVER PRODUCED OR EXPORTED TO THE UNITED STATES.

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING ADVISED WHY MALTA HAS BEEN INCLUDED AS ACTION ADDRESSEE IN REFTEL AND IN THE SERIES OF MESSAGES RELATING TO THE STEEL TRIGGER PRICE MECHANISM.
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